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(a)-(cc) [Reserved]

[53 FR 2840, Feb. 2, 1988, as amended at 54 FR 10145, Mar. 10, 1989; 55 FR 1819, Jan. 19, 1990; 57 FR 827, Jan. 9, 1992; 59 FR 11933, Mar. 15, 1994; 59 FR 37431, July 22, 1994; 60 FR 18745, Apr. 13, 1995; 60 FR 36223, July 14, 1995; 62 FR 22895, Apr. 28, 1997; 63 FR 49434, Sept. 16, 1998; 64 FR 1130, Jan. 8, 1999; 64 FR 60660, Nov. 8, 1999]

§ 934.20 Approval of North Dakota abandoned mine plan.

The North Dakota Abandoned Mine Plan as submitted on July 28, 1981, is approved. Copies of the approved program are available at:

Casper Field Office, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 100 East B Street, room 2128, Casper, WY 82601–1918; Telephone: (307) 261–5776. North Dakota Public Service Commission, Abandoned Mine Land Division, State Capitol, Bismarck, ND 58505; Telephone: (701) 224-4096.

[57 FR 33116, July 27, 1992]

§ 934.25 Approval of North Dakota abandoned mine land reclamation plan amendments.

The following is a list of the dates amendments were submitted to OSM, the dates when the Director's decision approving all, or portions of these amendments, were published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and the State citations or a brief description of each amendment. The amendments in this table are listed in order of the date of final publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER.

Original amendment submission date	Date of final publication	Citation/description
March 4, 1983	June 24, 1983	Definition of reclamation terms; right of entry; land acquisition, management, and disposition; other policies and procedures.
September 15, 1987	June 16, 1988	Revision of administrative and management structure of the approved North Dakota Plan.
October 31, 1991	July 27, 1992	NDCC 38-14.2-04, -06.
May 25, 1993 September 20, 1995	September 27, 1993 October 8, 1996	Emergency response reclamation program; set-aside trust funds, eligible lands. NDCC 38–14.2–03(14); Public Service Commission Procurement and Contract Procedures; PSC policies Nos. 2–01–81(5), 2–02–81(5); PSC organizational structure.

[62 FR 9949, Mar. 5, 1997]

§ 934.30 State-Federal Cooperative Agreement.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

This is a Cooperative Agreement (Agreement) between North Dakota (State) acting by and through the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) and the Governor, and the United States Department of the Interior (Interior), acting by and through the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) and the Office of Surface Mining (OSM).

ARTICLE I: INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

A. Authority: This Agreement is authorized by section 523(c) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act (Federal Act), Pub. L. 95-87, 30 U.S.C. 1273(c), which allows a State with a permanent regulatory program approved under 30 U.S.C. 1253 to elect to enter into an Agreement for the regulation and control of surface coal mining on Federal lands, and by Chapter 38-14.1 of the

North Dakota Century Code, Reclamation of Surface Mined Lands (State Act). This Agreement provides for State regulation of surface coal mining and reclamation operations on Federal lands within North Dakota consistent with the State and Federal Acts and the Federal lands program (section 523(a) of the Federal Act and 30 CFR Chapter VII, Subchapter D).

B. *Purpose*: The purpose of the Agreement is to: (1) Foster State-Federal cooperation in the regulation of surface coal mining and reclamation operations; (2) eliminate unnecessary intergovernmental overlap and duplication; and (3) provide uniform and effective application of the State Program on all non-Indian lands in North Dakota.

ARTICLE II: EFFECTIVE DATE

Following signing by the Secretary, the Governor, and the Commission, the Agreement shall take effect upon publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER as a final rule. This Agreement shall remain in effect until terminated as provided in Article X.